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Banks.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$2,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL \$58,000.

LONDON: Head Office, 44, Threadneedle Street, West End Office, 25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives Money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS: Fixed for 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 " " On CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

E.W. RUTTER, Manager.

Hongkong, September 4, 1890. 1302

LONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital \$8,168,002.50
Reserve Liability \$5,482,127.20
Reserve Liability of \$8,103,062.50
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INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
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LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 11, 1890. 363

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 34 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank, if required, on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 13, 1890. 754

Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL.

AN ABSOLUTE NOVELTY.

POSITIVELY TWO NIGHTS ONLY!

THURSDAY, September 18, and

SATURDAY, September 20.

M.R. FRANK LINCOLN

MR. FRANK LINCOLN

AMERICA'S

GREATEST HUMORIST

in his

WORLD FAMOUS

MONOLOGUE ENTERTAINMENT.

EMINENT OPINIONS.

AN EVENING OF INTELLECTUAL FUN!

—John Ruskin.

THE SUCCESSOR OF ARTEMUS WARD.

—London Times.

YOUR IMITATIONS ARE SIMPLY WONDERFUL.—Prince of Wales.

YOU CONFESSION LAUGHED.

—The Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone.

SACRIFICED HUMOR.—Henry Ward Beecher.

A MINUTE OF STARTLING FIDELITY.—Henry Labouche.

YOUR NONSENSE IS ARTISTIC.—Adelina Patti.

A WHOLE ORCHESTRA.—Sir Arthur Sullivan.

PRICES AS USUAL.

Box Plan at KELLY & WALSH'S.

Hongkong, September 15, 1890. 1619

Intimations.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG,

No. 1165.

A Regular MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FURE-

MANS' Hall, Zetland Street, THIS

AFTERNOON, the 16th Inst., at 8.30 for

a precise meeting. VINTAGE BRETHREN are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1660

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

WANTED TWO CLERKS to Work to

TELEGRAPHIC INSTRUMENT, Morse system, at the Observatory.

Hours—8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 2 p.m. to

8 p.m. Monday and week.

Salary—Twelve hundred dollars.

Application to be made by Letter or

Postally at the Colonial Secretary's Office.

W. M. DEANE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, September 13, 1890. 1607

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary General MEETING of

SHAREHOLDERS in the above

Company will be held at the Company's

OFFICES, on SATURDAY, the 29th Inst.,

at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the

Report of the General Managers, together

with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1890.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 20th September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, September 8, 1890. 1607

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London

ex Steamship Guadalquivir and

Tamie, from Havre ex Steamship

Tamie, in connection with the above

Steamer, are hereby informed that their

Goods—with the exception of Opium,

Treasure and Valuables—are being landed

and stored at their risk at the Company's

Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained

immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless

intimation is received from the Consignee

before 3 p.m. To-day (Wednesday), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, September 12, 1890. 1606

STEAMSHIP IRAUADDY.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FOR TEN YEARS—

THE LARGEST SHIPPERS

OF BULK

BRANDY.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS DIRECT

AS TO

LONDON BRANCH,

ROUVER, GUILLET & CO.,

59, Marl Lane, London, E.C.

14th August, 1890. 1443

THE HOTEL MARINA.

THIS Strictly FIRST-CLASS HOTEL

now in operation in the Harbor of Victoria,

offers GUESTS exceptional advantages for

Healthfulness and Refreshing Breezes;

the avoidance of street noises and unwholesome

odors, &c.

Grand Promenade Deck, Airy Dining

Room, Ladies' Parlour, Billiard and Reading

Rooms, Commodious Bedrooms, with separate Bath-Room and Veranda to each.

The TABLE D'HÔTE is unexcelled.

The HOTEL LAUNDRY runs regularly to and

Pedder's Wharf and the Hotel, Free

of Charge—for Time Table see Bills.

Hongkong, July 23, 1890. 1307

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL AGENTS FOR CHINA:

A. S. WATSON & CO., Shanghai, 1216

Wholesale and Retail Agents for China:

A. S. WATSON & CO., Shanghai, 1216

Intimations.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths,
NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND
METEOROLOGICAL
INSTRUMENTS.
VOIGTLANDER'S CELEBRATED
BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES,
RITCHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPANIES'
ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS,
NAUTICAL BOOKS.
English Silver & Electro-plated Ware,
Christofle & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATED WARE,
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY
in great variety.
D I A M O N D S
A DIAMOND JEWELLERY,
A Splendid Collection of the Latest London
Patterns, at very moderate prices. 742

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FREIGHTS should be taken, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Poole Central, will receive prompt attention.

D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, August 26, 1890. 1418

To-day's Advertisements.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

DURING my Absence from the Colony, Mr. A. S. GARFITT has been appointed Acting SECRETARY.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1626

NOTICE.

THE Steamship *Melpomené*, having arrived, Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns known as THE HONGKONG WHARF and GODOWNS, Wan Chai, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

This Vessel brings on board—

From CALCUTTA and MADRAS ex S.S. *Sebas*, transhipped at COLOMBO, From TRINCOMALEE ex S.S. *Imperial*, transhipped at

No. 14, Poole Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is requested, when appropriate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, August 26, 1890. 1418

DROP FROM
THE CLOUDS.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1623

BY
Mr. PERCIVAL SPENCER,
THE FAMOUS LONDON AERONAUT

(Gold Medalist, B.S., G.B.),

ON

SATURDAY NEXT,
the 20th instant,

AT THE

RACE COURSE,
HAPPY VALLEY.

GATES OPEN AT 2 P.M.

BALLOONS IN THE SHAPE OF
GROTESQUE FIGURES,
LIONS,
TIGERS,
TORTOISES,
&c., &c.

And
PILOT BALLOONS WILL ASCEND.

BAND OF THE A. & S. HIGHLANDERS
WITH PIPERS.

REFRESHMENTS.

ASCENT & DESCENT

AT

about 5 p.m.

CHARGES OF ADMISSION.

Reserved Seats on the Grand Stand, \$2.00

First Class Promenade, 1.00

Second do, 0.50

Third Enclosure, 0.25

Fourth do, 0.10

Children under 12 and Members of H. M. Forces below the rank of Officer, half-price to three-first-class places.

Separate Seats at \$1 each for Chinese ladies and gentlemen.

Tickets to be had from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH.

Detailed Programme To-morrow.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1622

Occidental & Oriental Steam-

Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS

TO JAPAN, THE UNITED

STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND

SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,

V.L.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,

AND

ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

The Steamship *OCEANIC* will be

despatched for San Francisco, via

Yokohama, on THURSDAY, October

9th, 1890, at 1 p.m., connecting with

Steamers from Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All Parcels Packages should be mailed to

the Company's Offices until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows—

To San Francisco \$22.00

To San Francisco and return 393.75

To Liverpool 325.00

To London 350.00

To other European ports at proportionate rates.

Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-

embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%.

This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Companys Invoices to accompany cargo

shipped to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 202, Queen's Road Central.

O. D. HARMIN,

Agent.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1623

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

China Mart Office.

Mrs. BOHM,

Proprietress.

Hongkong, August 20, 1890. 1622

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE,
AND FAMILY HOTEL.

This ESTABLISHMENT is situated in a most central position, opposite the Telegraph Office and two doors from the Chartered Bank. It offers FIRST-CLASS Accommodation to Residents and Travellers, has a Spacious DINING ROOM, and a large number of well-furnished BED-ROOMS with all comforts. A Good Table kept.

TABLE D'HOTE.—Breakfast, 8.30 a.m.;

Tiffin, 1 p.m.; Dinner, 7.30 p.m.;

BOARD by the Month, Day, or Single Meals, of reasonable rates.

ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE TO SERVE MEALS IN GENTLEMEN'S QUARTERS.

CONTINENTAL LANGUAGES SPOKEN.

Mrs. BOHM,

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To-day's Advertisements.

CHINA TRADERS INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1626

NOTICE.

THE Annual General MEETING for the purposes of receiving the Committee's Report for the past season, and electing the Committee and Officers for the coming season will be held at the Pavilion on THURSDAY, the 18th Instant, at 5 p.m.

After the General Meeting, a SPECIAL General MEETING will be held for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:

That the Number of Tennis Players in the A Class be raised from 16 to 21.
That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 1 to 8 be expunged from the Hongkong Cricket Rules and Classes A & B cease to exist.

GENTLEMEN desirous of proposing NEW Businesses will find Lists for that purpose in the Hongkong Club and Cricket Pavilion.

ARTHUR K. TRAVERS,

Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1627

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CATHAY CHAPTER, No. 1165.

A N Emergency CONVOCATION of the CATHAY CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY NEXT, the 19th Instant, at 8.30 p.m. for present. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1626

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.

The Company's Steamer

Tarichow,

Capt. R. UNSWORTH, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 19th Inst., at 9 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

YUEN FAT HONG,

Agents.

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1621

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN

STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND

ADELAIDE.

The Steamship

Memnon,

Captain CHAO, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 19th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.,

Hongkong, September 16, 1890. 1624

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN

STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND

ADELAIDE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through to NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

The Steamship

Guthrie,

Capt. SHANNON, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 4th October, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.,

The D. R. & A. Polyphonic left Singapore on the 10th Sept., at noon, and may be expected here on or about the 22nd Sept.

The P. & O. s.s. *Takao* left Bombay for this port at 2 p.m. on the 6th Sept.

The P. & O. s.s. *Ganges* left Shanghai for this port on the 13th Sept., at 10 a.m.

An appeal has been made against the decision given by Mr Woodhouse in the gambling 'club' case on Saturday, in which his Worship sentenced five of the managers of the institution to six months' hard labour.

This annual general meeting of the Hongkong Cricket Club will be held on Thursday at 5 p.m. As will be seen by an advertisement, a special meeting will be held thereafter to consider important changes proposed in the Lawn Tennis rules.

The absurd rumours set on foot here about Kribs being in Macao and Canton appear to have been entirely without foundation. A telegram was received by the Mixed Court Magistrate in Shanghai last Thursday from Yuan, the Chinese Resident at Seoul, advising him of the arrest of Kribs and stating that he had been handed over to the German Consul at Chemnitz.

The chair-decoration at the Peak, against whom complaints have been frequently made for refusing hire, got a much-needed lesson to-day which it is to be hoped they will remember. Four of them were charged before Mr Robinson at the instance of Acting Police Inspector Butlin with refusing hire on the 14th instant, and were fined \$1 each, with the alternative of seven days' hard labour.

HONGKONG will have two opportunities this week of enjoying what from all accounts would appear to be a remarkable entertainment. Mr Lincoln, who is to perform in the Theatre Royal on Thursday evening, and again on Saturday, undertakes single-handed to provide an evening's merriment, and judging by the press' notices, he can do it easily. In one account of his entertainment he is described as a quinque-humorous, a clever pianist, a capital actor and a wonderful polyphonist, who becomes successively an Italian cantatrice, a French comic singer, an English ditty ditto a German singer with violincello obbligato, a trombone player struggling with a bluebottle in his instrument, an old lady with a 'revolving tooth,' an orchestra tuning up and a variety of other persons, things and utensils. If he could convert himself into a ballet troupe or a boom in Punjabis, the Theatre would not hold his audiences, but even with what he can do he ought to draw good houses.

THREE men and a woman were brought before Mr Robinson in the Police Court this morning, charged at the instance of Inspector Stanton with detaining a boy five years of age with intent to obtain a ransom, and also with being in unlawful possession of \$100 worth of clothing and jewellery. The defendants were arrested this morning under the following circumstances. The police here had received information of a case of robbery and kidnapping in the Sun Tuk district of Kwangtung, and it was supposed that the perpetrators were in Hongkong. The story was to the effect that an armed gang attacked the house of a well-to-do resident of the district during the night and carried off one of his children and a good deal of property. In a few days afterwards a letter was received by the father of the stolen child demanding a ransom of \$4,000. As this was greatly beyond the man's means, he made an offer of \$200, which was rejected. The kidnappers continued to negotiate for a ransom, still making exorbitant demands. Meanwhile the distressed father came to Hongkong in the hope of hearing something as to the whereabouts of his little son. The police here having taken the matter up got a clue to the kidnappers and a strong party under Inspector Stanton set out this morning with the object of arresting the miscreants and recovering the lost child. They began their task by arresting a man who had been tracked to a house in Sing Wong Street. They then went to a house in New Street, Taiping-shan, where they expected to find two more men and the missing boy. Sergeant Hadden and McFever were posted on the roof of the house to prevent any attempt at escape by that favourite way. Sergeant Gane and a constable or two waited in the street to intercept anyone who might adopt the dangerous expedient of jumping from the verandah. As it was known that the men were desperate characters and were well supplied with arms, it was deemed wise to exercise the greatest possible watchfulness. Inspector Stanton and the remainder of the party of police went to the door of the house. After a few knocks had been given a woman's voice from the top of the stairs inquired what was wanted. One of the Chinese members of the party replied that he had called with regard to the ransom of the little boy. The door was opened after a little further parley and the police rushed in. They had no difficulty in finding the two men, for whom they were looking and who were too much taken by surprise to offer any resistance. The woman, however, was not so easily dealt with. She flew at Inspector Stanton like a wild cat and gave that stalwart officer convincing proof of the sharpness of her nails before he was able to defend himself. The missing boy was found in the house and was restored safe and sound to his anxious parent. The Magistrate remanded the case after hearing some evidence.

Messrs. Steamer & Co. inform us that the D.D.R. & A. Polyphonic left Singapore for this port at noon to-day.

The police are apparently now devoting their attention to another form of Chinese gambling besides that carried on in so-called clubs. Inspector Mathieson and a party of police made a raid yesterday on a number of Wei-sing lottery agencies, and the cases came before Mr Robinson in the Police Court to-day, but the hearing was adjourned at the request of Mr Mossop, who appeared for the defendants.

Chinese Police Constable No. 307, who is stationed in the Western District, covered himself with glory last night by smartly capturing a thief. An old woman was assaulted by two men and robbed of \$40.

The constable arrived in time to see the robbers decamp, but he at once gave chase, and after a run of nearly a mile succeeded in getting hold of one of them. He fortunately proved to be the one who had the money in his possession. The fact of his being also possessed of a dagger showed that he was prepared for emergencies.

The case at the instance of the Sanitary Board against V. Denouer of the Wong-ni-chong Dairy Farm, came before Mr Robinson again in the Police Court this afternoon. The defendant, who had obtained an adjournment in order to get legal assistance, did not appear. Mr Itao, Assistant Inspector of Markets, said the defendant, who kept eight or ten cows, had failed to provide himself with the licences from the Sanitary Board required under Section 30 of the Public Health Ordinance. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

Mr A. G. Apair, broker and auctioneer, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head, at his residence, No. 2, Shelley Street, about half-past eleven this forenoon. The weapon used was a small revolver, one chamber only of which had been loaded. Dr Hartigan and Dr Cantlie were called in and Dr Burroughs of the Army Medical Staff assisted these gentlemen in doing all that was possible for the dying man. They succeeded in extracting the bullet, which had entered the right temple. The man was afterwards sent in an ambulance to the Government Civil Hospital, but there was no hope of his recovery, and he died in the afternoon. The act seems to have been premeditated, judging by the following note, which he wrote this morning to a woman who was living 'under his protection':—

'Dear Eva—Good-bye. I shot myself. Sell out and go home. Damn the landlord.'

He is a dirty man—could not arrange anything with him. I will meet you in the next world.—Yours, A. G. APAR.' The deceased had been out in the morning and returned to his house in the forenoon when he went into his bedroom and shot himself. He had been in difficulties, financial and otherwise, for some time, and it was remarked that his manner of late was somewhat strange.

We learn, says the N. C. Daily News, that Senator Valdez, the Portuguese Consul at Shanghai, is leaving for home for a holiday next month. The Portuguese community will miss him, as he is very popular among his nationates both socially and as Consul.

The hearing of the case of the Taku Tug and Lighter Co. v. Butterfield & Swire has been completed before Mr Connel Byron Bremer at Tientsin, and judgment is reserved. The claim is for \$20,000 for the sinking of two lighters by the *Tungkow*.

The following anecdote gives an interesting insight into the prejudices common among certain people in America in connection with the Sunday question many years ago. The story is told as follows in the *Universal Magazine* for 1773:—'Some years ago a commander of one of his Majesty's ships was stationed at Boston, America, had orders to cruise from time to time, in order to protect our trade and distress the enemy. It happened unluckily that he returned from one of his cruises on a Sunday, and as he had left his lady at Boston, the moment he heard of the ship's arrival he hastened down to the water's side in order to receive her. The captain, on landing, embraced her with tenderness and affection. This, as there were many spectators by, gave great offence, and was considered as an act of indecency and a flagrant profanation of the Sabbath. The next day, therefore, he was summoned before the magistrates, who with many severe rebukes and pious exhortations, ordered him to be publicly whipped. The captain stiffered his indignation and resentment as much as possible, and as he was unshod, from the frequency of it, was not attired with any great degree of ignominy or disgrace, he mixed with the best company, was well received by them, and they were apparently good friends. At length his time at the station expired, and he was recalled. He went, therefore, with seeming concern to take leave of his worthy friends, and that they might spend one happy day together before their final separation, he invited the principal magistrates and select men to dine with him on board his ship upon the day of his departure. They accepted the invitation, and nothing could be more joyous and convivial than the entertainment which he gave them. At length the fatal moment arrived that was to separate them; the anchor was up, the sails were unfurled, and nothing more was wanting but the signal to get under way. The captain, after taking an affectionate leave of his worthy friends, accompanied them upon deck, where the boatswain and crew were in readiness to receive them. He then thanked them afresh for the civilities they had shown him, of which he said he should retain an eternal remembrance and to which he wished it had been in his power to have made a more adequate return. One point of civility only remained to be adjusted between them, which as it was in his power, so he meant most justly to reciprocate them. He then reminded them of what had passed, and ordering the crew to pinion them, had them brought one by one to the gangway, where the boatswain, with a calibre-nine-tailor, laid on the back of each forty stripes aye one. They were then, amid the shouts and acclamations of the crew, above into their boats, and the captain, immediately getting under way, the ship sailed for England.—*Japan Gazette*.

CORRESPONDENCE from Etorop, in Saghalien Island, tells of a disastrous forest fire which was raging furiously at the time of forwarding the news (Aug. 26th). The fire broke out about 8 a.m. on the 13th ulto. at Shambes-beau, Tokutan, and soon began to spread. A number of men were despatched to put it out, but their efforts were futile. When the flames were quenched in one spot, they broke out in another, and such was the increasing. The cost of reparation is steadily increasing. The cost of reparation is now amounts to one pound only.

After his visit to Constantinople and Palestine next month, it is intended that the Czarevitch shall continue his journey to the little boy. The door was opened after a little further parley and the police rushed in. They had no difficulty in finding the two men, for whom they were looking and who were too much taken by surprise to offer any resistance. The woman, however, was not so easily dealt with. She flew at Inspector Stanton like a wild cat and gave that stalwart officer convincing proof of the sharpness of her nails before he was able to defend himself. The missing boy was found in the house and was restored safe and sound to his anxious parent. The Magistrate remanded the case after hearing some evidence.

MESSRS. STEAMER & CO. inform us that the D.D.R. & A. Polyphonic left Singapore for this port at noon to-day.

A NATIVE paper states the Ainos are fast disappearing from Hokkaido into Russian territory, the total Aino population in that island numbering now some 80,000 only. This our informant (the Tokyo *Koron*) attributes to the aversion of the Ainos to holding intercourse with Japanese.

SEVERAL severe cases of illness are reported among the foreigners resident in Soo-ki-Soo-Captain d'Amade of the French Legation in China, returning overland via Yuenstan from an excursion to Vladivostock, left Soo-ki on the 27th August for Tientsin. The heat and humidity this year have been unusual. Preparations for the funeral ceremonies of the late Queen Dowager are progressing actively. October 14th is the date fixed. Mons. Collin de Flancy, the French Commissioner in Korea, has quit Soo-ki this month on a short visit to Tientsin.—*China Times*.

A PROFITABLE COMPANY.—The New or 'Rothchild' Exploration Company has probably beaten the dividend record of any limited liability company in existence. Its capital consists of 150,000 £1 shares, £4, paid, and 2,000 founders' shares. £1 paid. The dividend just announced of 3s. a share on the ordinary and £9 12s. 4d. on the founders' absorbs a sum of £32,000, practically earned within a period of six months, equal to 250 per cent. per annum. We understand that as much more has been made, as the amount distributed, and rumours assert that before the end of the year further very large profits are in store for the shareholders, amongst whom figure the names of the first firms in the City. Messrs. Rothchild holding nearly 50,000 shares or one-third of the capital. The largest transaction undertaken by the company during the year was the disposal of the stock of copper held by the Bank of France, which realised a sum exceeding £1,500,000 sterling. The company's business is exclusively a commission one, and it incurs no responsibility whatsoever, the capital for the business it undertakes being provided from outside sources and by underwriters of its issues.—*Financial News*.

IN A Report furnished by the Vicerey Li on the recent floods at Tientsin he states that rain fell continuously at Tientsin and the neighbourhood from the 16th to the 22nd of July last, and that the whole plain of northern Chihli was inundated by the floods that poured down from the hills. The banks of the Yungting River, the Taching River, and of the Grand Canal, all gave way, as also the *Chien Li* embankment in the Yenchi district. A sea of water extended for several hundreds of miles and even on the level ground it attained a depth of over twenty Chinese feet. People and cattle were swept away in great numbers and the crops were in most places completely destroyed. No disaster of equal magnitude had occurred in the province for several decades. The low-lying grounds in the neighbourhood of Tientsin, which is at the mouth of several rivers, suffered in an especial degree. The military embankments, the Arsenal, and the majority of buildings both public and private were immersed in a sea of water. All postal communication was stopped and the telegraph lines were broken in many places. The mud dwellings of the peasants were so saturated with water that they entirely collapsed, and the inmates were obliged either to take refuge in trees whence they called for boats to come to their assistance, or to leave their homes and wade helplessly seeking in vain for any means of escape. The spectacle was heartrending to be witnessed.—The Vicerey considers this unnatural conflict of the elements as a punishment for his own neglect of duty and cannot think of it without feelings of inexpressible shame. Should the rainy weather continue as seemed likely when the Vicerey was writing, the misery will be beyond all description, and even should fair weather ensue the season is far too advanced to admit of further planting of any crop except perhaps buck wheat. Crowds of refugees were swept away in great numbers and the crops were in most places completely destroyed. No disaster of equal magnitude had occurred in the province for several decades.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK has just made her fastest trip, and became one of the quartet of vessels which have crossed the Atlantic in 6 days. But she required 3 hours and 2 mins. longer than the *Perseverance*, which has established the first record of 6 days, 19 hours, and 5 mins., or 15 mins. quicker than the *City of Paris*. The test of the *Tropic* is remarkable for its hourly average of twenty and seventeen one-hundredth knots. On her fastest day she covered only 512 miles, which is three under the *City of Paris*'s 515. The two ships raced within sight of each other until Sunday.

THE STATES GAZETTE contains the statutes of the following limited companies: Eastern Discount Company at Amsterdam, with a capital of one million guineas, divided in two series each of £50,000, and shares of £1,000, of which the first series has been taken up. The object of the bank is to supply money for discount of drafts, &c., in transmarine countries, especially in the Straits Settlements. Further, the Royal Netherlands Company, for working petroleum wells in Netherlands India at the Hague, with a capital of £1,000,000, in shares of £1,000, which have all been taken up. The object of the bank is to supply money for discount of drafts, &c., in transmarine countries, especially in the Straits Settlements. Further, the Royal Netherlands Company, for working petroleum wells in Netherlands India at the Hague, with a capital of £1,000,000, in shares of £1,000, which have all been taken up. The object of the bank is to supply money for discount of drafts, &c., in transmarine countries, especially in the Straits Settlements. Further, the Royal Netherlands Company, for working petroleum wells in Netherlands India at the Hague, with a capital of £1,000,000, in shares of £1,000, which have all been taken up. The object of the bank is to supply money for discount of drafts, &c., in transmarine countries, especially in the Straits Settlements.

THE KOBE HEROLD bears that an attempt to poison Captain Fownes, of the British ship *Lizzie C. Troop*, his wife, and the chief officer, was made last Saturday (30th ult.) by the steward of the ship, a Manil or Malay man, at Nagasaki, where the ship is at present lying. The Captain and his wife are staying at the Bell Vue Hotel, but they took tea on board with the chief mate, and it was in the tea that the poison was put. The largest dose, it is said, was given to the Captain, who vomited immediately after drinking it. The cook was suspected of being an accomplice, but he was released from custody after having been examined. We are glad to hear that Captain Fownes, as well as his wife and the chief officer, has recovered from the effects of the poison.

THE SUNDAY QUESTION IN BOMBAY MILLS.—The Bombay Mill-owners' Association have reaffirmed their decision to close their mills for eight days per month for three months, owing to slackness of trade. The operatives, who had asked them to reconsider the matter, have been told that at the expiration of the three months, the mills will be closed one day in every seven, such day to be Sunday, unless general holiday occurs which would justify another day being chosen. This may be the beginning of the settlement of the vexed question of Sunday holidays in India, which Lancashire manufacturers have made such a commotion about. It is purely a matter for local mill-owners to decide, and it would be a great mistake for the Government to make such hasty compulsory legislation.—*Pioneer*.

THE PRESENT CHINESE MINISTER TO JAPAN, who recently obtained permission to retire from the public service on the ground of old age, reports that he has handed over the seals of office to the Vicerey Li Han-chang. Although his advanced age precludes the possibility of future active service, he does not intend to spend the remainder of his life in ease and idleness, but hopes to improve the morals of his native place by inculcating lessons of virtue and filial affection. Li Han-chang is assuming the office of acting Governor at Canton, who recently obtained permission to retire from the public service on the ground of old age, reports that he has handed over the seals of office to the Vicerey Li Han-chang. Although his advanced age precludes the possibility of future active service, he does not intend to spend the remainder of his life in ease and idleness, but hopes to improve the morals of his native place by inculcating lessons of virtue and filial affection. 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